

**SOUTH METROPOLITAN CRICKET ASSOCIATION – PLAYER CAUTION FORM**

**ANY MINOR BREACH OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT, DISSENT, MISCONDUCT OR UNACCEPTABLE PLAYER BEHAVIOUR**

**MATCH** ..... **V'S** ..... **DATE OF OFFENCE**.....  
**GRADE** .....  
**PLAYED AT** .....  
**OFFENDER**.....**CLUB** ..... **NATURE OF OFFENCE**.....  
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**OFFENCE REPORTED BY UMPIRE/S (PRINT)**.....  
**SIGNED**..... **DATE**.....

**BY-LAW 64. CAUTIONS: (details in part)**

- a. The umpire(s) may issue a caution to any player who has committed a minor breach of the code of conduct, spirit of cricket or the playing rules of the SMCA in a club competition match.
- b. The umpire shall notify either the captain, club official or the player at the time of the offence. The umpire shall request the notified person to sign the Player Caution Form to signify his notification of the caution.
- c. Refusal to sign the Player Caution Form will invoke an immediate four playing date suspension on the player cautioned and also the team captain.
- d. The umpire shall submit the Player Caution Form before Sunday evening at 6.00pm by verbal notification following the completion of the game. The Association Administrator will register the caution and confirm to the offending players club of that registration.
- e. If a player receives a second caution within a period of 12 months from the date of a previous caution the player will be suspended from the next four club competition days for which he is eligible. Any player receiving a third caution within a period of 12 months will automatically receive a doubling of the previous four playing date penalty and a doubling of any penalty for each subsequent caution received.
- f. There shall be no appeal against the first caution issued by an association umpire. If the player receives a second caution the player may accept the penalty or may appeal the second caution and refer the matter to the Protests, Disputes and Appeals Board. The Protests, Disputes and Appeals Board have the option to suspend the player (if found guilty) for the prescribed period or greater if appropriate.
- g. Any appeal is subject to appeal conditions in the By-Laws (67.a through to and including 67.h)
- h. At the completion of the match where a player has been issued with a second caution, the player and or his club must advise the umpire of their intent to defer the matter to the P&D or have the automatic four playing date penalty apply. The umpire is to record this advice on the Player Caution Form and notify the Umpires Advisor. If the player or his club does not advise the umpire, the Association Administrator will apply the automatic four playing date penalty. Any player receiving a third caution during the same season will automatically receive a doubling of the previous four playing date penalty and a doubling of any penalty for each subsequent caution received.
- i. The Caution system applies only to games that have an official SMCA sanctioned umpire appointed by the Umpires Advisor and does not dilute the umpire's ability to report a player for any offence as deemed outside the spirit of the game and the laws of cricket.
- j. Where there is no official umpire/s and the two participating teams provide their own umpires the Caution system does not apply.

**I ..... OF .....CRICKET CLUB HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED OF A CAUTION BY THE OFFICIAL UMPIRE.**

**THIS IS MY FIRST / SECOND / ADDITIONAL CAUTION DURING THE PAST 12 MONTH PERIOD.**

**IF SECOND OR ADDITIONAL CAUTION, I ACCEPT THE FOUR PLAYING DAY PENALTY OR I REQUIRE THE MATTER TO BE DEFERRED TO THE P&D BOARD (DELETE WHERE APPLICABLE)**

**SIGNED**..... **DATE**.....

The Umpire must advise the SMCA Umpires Advisor of any cautions within 24 hours of the offence. Contact Norm Harris on 0433 505 900 to do this. The Umpires Advisor will submit details of this form on-line. Please keep this form until the end of the season and produce it to the Umpires Advisor if requested.